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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed May 3, 2004, said period of response being extended from August 3, 2004 to November 3, 2004.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 13-2725 in the amount of \$980.00 to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.191, Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent\
Appeals and Interferences from the final rejection of claims 15, 18 and 34-47 of the aboveidentified application, as set forth in the Office Action mailed May 3, 2004.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 13-2725 in the amount of \$340.00 to cover the required fee for filing this Notice of Appeal as set forth under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(b).

Also enclosed is a Petition for three-month extension of time to respond to the final rejection, thereby extending said period of response from August 3, 2004 to November 3, 2004. Please charge Deposit Account No. 13-2725 in the amount of \$980.00 to cover the required extension fee for large entity.

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